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REMARKS

Claims 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16 and 17 remain in the application and are presented for examination and reconsideration. Claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, 18 and 19 have been cancelled. Claims 5, 13, 14, 18 and 19 were withdrawn from consideration previously and Applicant has hereby cancelled the claims.

The claims 4 and 12 that were objected to by the Examiner, have hereby been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In addition, there has been inserted into claims 4 and 12, the phrase, "and mixtures thereof," to make clear that mixtures of the specified solvents may be utilized. Support for this is found in the specification as originally filed, at page 3, lines 11-19, and elsewhere.

The dependency of claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, and 17, has been amended in view of claims 4 and 12 now appearing as the independent claims of the application.

All of the foregoing amendments and cancellations have been made to facilitate prosecution of the present application.

ELECTION / RESTRICTION

Cancellation by Applicant hereby of claims 5, 13, 14, 18, and 19, have rendered moot the present restriction requirement.

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**REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C.103(a)
OVER U.S. PATENT NO. 5,558,900 (Fan et al.)**

The Examiner has maintained the rejection of claims 1-3, 6-11, and 15-17, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,558,900 (Fan et al.) Accordingly, Applicant has hereby cancelled claims 1, 6, 9, and 15. Further, Applicant has hereby amended claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, and 17 to depend either from independent claim 4 or 12, as appropriate. In this respect, claims 4 and 12 have been indicated as being allowable, and claims dependent from the allowable independent claims are likewise allowable since all features and limitations of the independent claims are included in the dependent claims.

Accordingly, Applicant's cancellation and amendment of the claims renders moot the rejection under 35 U.S.C.103(a) over Fan et al.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner has stated that claims 4 and 12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims:

Applicant has hereby rewritten claims 4 and 12 in independent form, and included all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In addition, in view of the allowability of independent claims 4 and 12, the dependence of claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, and 17 has been amended to be dependent on claim 4 or 12, as appropriate.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant believes that claims 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16 and 17, are patentable. Therefore, Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests the Examiner to pass the application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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